

Finding his own breast free from every inquietude, and as yet a stranger to care, he supposes it was thus formed by Nature for the more refined susceptibility of happiness and pleasure. This conjecture is strengthened by his feeling almost every other stage of life engaged in some toilsome occupation, which admits very few intervals of idleness or leisure. Continually engrossed in the hurry of business, care and vexation appear painted in most striking colours on the countenance. From this view of things he concludes that happiness is given to youth alone; that the regions of pleasure can be reached at no other time; that as nearer approaches are made to the goal of manhood, the prospect will gradually recede from the view, till it entirely disappears. Hence he is induced to enjoy pleasure while yet in his power, and not to pass the prime of life in the irksome occupations of study. All of us while young indulge ourselves in this species of false reasoning, because the object of its proof is agreeable to our own inclinations, and we become so easily persuaded, to the pursuit of pleasure, minds which our nature has too strongly attached to it. Every thing gains belief, which agrees with the passions, and invites to those scenes, at which there long has been a wishful desire, and impatience of arriving. But the sentiments suggested by a partiality for pleasure may be fondly believed and warmly cherished, yet upon cool examination they will be found to be the illusions of a fancy overheated in recommending the pursuit of an object to which the inclinations are deeply riveted. It still remains an incontrovertible truth, attested by experience, and evinced by the unhappiness of those who slight it, that those alone who in the early part of life follow the footsteps of virtue and learning, who begin when young to offer up incense at their shrines, will ever go through the journey of life with satisfaction to themselves or honour to society. From seeds sown in the vernal season, which promotes vegetation, and is friendly to the stock entrusted to its bosom, the husbandman expects the rich product of autumn, and the timely fruit of his industry. So those who neglect in the spring of life to lay in a stock, which will produce its fruits hereafter, must expect to feel the gripe of distress, and rage of misery, heightened and made more severe and afflicting, by the reflection, and tormenting consciousness of its being brought on by their own imprudence and neglect.

Youth is certainly the season for embracing the golden opportunity of improvement, and imbibing principles which will adorn, and give an useful dignity to the man. The breast free from every inquietude is never exposed to the intrusion of those cares, which are the troublesome visitants of manhood. It is left at leisure to do good, and apply to those pursuits which will render their followers more useful, virtuous and conspicuous actors on the extensive theatre of human life. It is possessed of a sprightly vigour for the attainment of knowledge, assisted by ambition, and a generous, glowing emulation, which animate most strongly to the pursuit. The imagination though not so strong and faithful, is yet more lively and active than in manhood, and better fitted to make its wanton excursions into the fields of science, and cull the choicest flowers they can boast.

This age is favoured by nature with great advantages in the acquisition of knowledge, and great openings for improvement; it is at the same time exposed to frailties and errors, from which a more advanced age is totally exempt. Youth is characterized by a very accurate and faithful observer of human life and manners, as being

Cereus in vitium flecti monitoribus asper,
Utilem tardus provisor, prodigus aris
Sublimis cupidusque, et amata relinquere pernix.
HORACE.

Easily bent to vice, harsh to reproof,
In preparation slow, of money prodigal,
Elate with pride, and eager in pursuit,
But quickly changing, as caprice inspires.
Desirous of giving satisfaction to all, (or rather through a love of novelty) it joins in every pursuit, and imitates not more the virtues than the vices of its associates, and like a mirror receives and reflects whatever object is before it, whether the image be inviting by its beauty or forbidden by its deformity.

The glittering show of pleasure is too fascinating to be resisted by a mind untutored in the hardy school of experience. The bubble is pursued with eagerness and desire; when to appearance almost within the reach, and promising a joyous possession, it bursts and dissolves into vapour. 'Tis then alone the truth is unfolded that nothing was pursued but a glittering phantom, and inanity was grasped at instead of reality.

The frailty of youth often gives way to vicious habits, which extend their influence to the remotest scenes of life. Like characters engraved on the tender bark, which open and appear more plain, as the tree grows larger, these habits will have a more palpable and unbecoming appearance, as nearer approaches are made to the closing scenes of life. It must certainly be the wish of every rational creature to spend the latter part of his days with satisfaction and comfort: This can never be the case unless an attentive regard be paid to the conduct in the first part of the drama, so that every thing may be properly carried on; for a train of irregularity entails misery on old age, renders it a burden to itself, and to others an object of pity and disgust. How happy and blissful must be the last days of him whose youth has been spent with propriety. The review of that part of life which will obtain a smile of applause from the conscience, has been spent, which will brighten the prospect of those fields which are yet to be passed in the journey, and make them both pleasing and inviting.

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TO BE SOLD,

On Monday the 11th day of May next, at 12 o'clock, at Mr. WHARFE'S tavern,

THE plantation known by the name of SAND-GATE, belonging to the estate of Mr. GEORGE MANN, deceased, situated on the public roads, about one mile from this city, containing about 280 acres. This will be sold on a credit of five years, with interest to be paid annually. There are three hands on the plantation, hired for the present crop, we shall therefore offer the land under this incumbrance, with the grain, stock, utensils, and all that belongs to the place. The grain, stock, &c. to be valued, as will be proposed at the sale, and paid for within one month thereafter. Bonds with good security will be required of the purchaser. Possession of the whole immediately given, and the real estate, when paid for, conveyed.

JOHN CALLAHAN, Executor.
MARY MANN, Executrix.
Annapolis, April 28, 1795.

In CHANCERY, April 23, 1795.

ORDERED, That the report of THOMAS TONGUE and JOSEPH COWMAN, trustees for the sale of the real estate of RICHARD COWMAN, deceased, be approved, and that the sale by them made, as stated in said report, on the 15th day of January last, of a tract of land called STRATLEY, 90 acres, and part of a tract of land called SPARROW'S REST, in Anne-Arundel county, for £. 605, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shewn, on or before the third Tuesday in May next; provided a copy of this order be inserted in the Maryland Gazette during the present month.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,
Reg. Cur. Can.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber intends to apply to the next Anne-Arundel county court, for a commission to mark and bound a tract of land, called LEONARD'S NECK, lying in Anne-Arundel county, as also to mark and bound that part of said tract of land which belongs to him.

RICHARD GARDINER
April 28, 1795

Pursuant to an order of the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, will be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on Monday the 11th of May, at the house of JOSEPH STANSBURY, on the Mouth of Curtis's creek, for CASH,

ALL the personal property of ELIZABETH STANSBURY, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, consisting of negroes, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, household furniture, bacon, corn, and rye. The sale to commence at eleven o'clock in the morning.

JOSEPH STANSBURY, Administrator of
ELIZABETH STANSBURY.
April 21, 1795.

The sale of the greater part of the NEGROES belonging to the estate of SAMUEL CHEW, Esq; deceased, advertised to be sold for CASH, at the house of Mr. JOHN CRAGGS, at South river ferry, on the 22d day of April, 1795, having been postponed from unavoidable circumstances,

NOTICE is hereby given, that forty-eight of the said NEGROES, among which are a number of very fine healthy boys of twelve years old and under, one man a carpenter, one a shoemaker, and several others bred to the farming business, also some valuable women and girls, will be sold, in the city of Annapolis, on Tuesday the 19th day of May next. Such gentlemen as are desirous of becoming bidders at this sale, are now informed, that nothing will prevent the sale's taking place at the appointed day, upon the first mentioned terms, when attendance will be given, by BEN. CHAMBERS, Attorney for THO. M. FORMAN, administrator of col. Sam. Chew, deceased.

April 22, 1795.

LA FAYETTE

Is in high order, and will stand this season at the subscriber's stable, in Annapolis, two days in each week, Mondays and Tuesdays, and at Mr. THOMAS BICKNELL'S, near the Head of South river, on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

LA FAYETTE is a bright sorrel, handsomely marked with white in the face and legs, six years old this spring, fifteen and an half hands high, he is handsomely formed, and equal, as to bone, finew and action, to most horses bred in America; he was got by the noted elegant horse VENETIAN, his dam was got by LITTLE FLOURE, out of a fine imported mare, whose pedigree is unknown.

La Fayette will cover mares at one guinea a single mare, if two mares, or more from the same person, four dollars per mare, and three shillings and ninepence to the groom, provided the money is paid by first of July; if the money is not paid by the first of July next six dollars per mare will be charged. Good pasturage, under good fencing, may be had for mares at Mr. Bicknell's.

JAMES WILLIAMS.
April 14, 1795.

CASH given for Clean Linen and Cotton RAGS, at the Printing Office.

Will be EXPOSED at PUBLIC SALE on Friday the fifteenth of May, at JOHN TYDINGS'S house, near South river church,

A HEALTHY likely negro WENCH, about twenty-seven years of age, with three female children, one of which is a good size to wait in a house. The above wench is a good spinner on either the linen or woollen wheel, and likewise a good hand on a plantation at the hoe, axe, &c. The terms will be made known on the day of sale, by the subscriber.

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FOR SALE,

A TWO story framed HOUSE and LOT, in Green-street, the property of Mr. WILLIAM BIGGS, of Chester-town; now in the possession of Mr. WILLIAM TAYLOR, wheel-wright; the house is 21 feet front and 31 feet deep, the lot is 25 feet front and 70 feet deep, it is subject to a ground rent of £. 8 2 6 per annum. The terms of sale may be known, by applying to

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JOHN SHAW.
Annapolis, April 22, 1795.

HAVING obtained testamentary letters on the estate of the late Mr. GEORGE MANN, we request that all persons who have claims will exhibit them, properly authenticated, as early as possible, those indebted, it is hoped, will make speedy payments.

Mr. JONATHAN PINNEY, of Robert, is authorized to act for us, his settlements and receipts will therefore be fully respected, by

JOHN CALLAHAN, Executor;
MARY MANN, Executrix.
Annapolis, April 21, 1795.

House of Entertainment.

THE subscriber respectfully informs her friends, and the public in general, that she has opened a private house of entertainment, next door to the chancellor's, where she intends to accommodate gentlemen with boarding, either by the day, week, or year, at the lowest terms, and hopes to give general satisfaction to all who may please to honour her with their custom.

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April 22, 1795. MARGARET PRYSE.

FOR SALE,

THE lot in Queen-Anne, the property of the subscriber, conveniently situated for a tavern; the improvements are, a two story house, with one room below and two above. One other convenient house with three rooms below, and two above, a kitchen, stable, paved garden, and the lot posted and railled. Immediate possession will be given, and the terms of sale made easy to the purchaser. If not sold I will lease, or rent them.

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April 16, 1795. WILLIAM BROGDEN.

A LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Post-Office at Chaptico, if not taken up by the first day of June they will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

MR. THOMAS JOHNSON, Chaptico.
Mr. Reuben Craig, near Chaptico, 3 letters.
Capt. James Somervil, Patuxent, Maryland.
Mr. Leonard Highitt, St. Mary's county, near Chaptico, Maryland.

JOSIAH B. GRINDALL, P. M.
April 13, 1795.

In CHANCERY, April 16, 1795.

ORDERED, That the report this day made by MARY WEEMS and ALEXANDER M'PHERSON, trustees for the sale of certain lands, under the last will of JOHN WEEMS, deceased, be approved, and that their sale, as stated in the said report, of four several tracts called LOCK EBN, PADGET, OYSTER-HALL, and ADDITION to PADGET, containing 359½ acres, to RICHARD CONNER, on the 2d instant, at £. 6 3 0 per acre, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shewn, on or before the third Tuesday in May next; provided a copy of this order be inserted in the Maryland Gazette at any time during the present month.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,
Reg. Cur. Can.

WHEREAS the partnership of WILLIAM GRANT, and Co. will dissolve on the first day of May next, all persons having claims against the concern will please to present them for settlement, and those who are indebted for work, are requested to make immediate payment.

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WILLIAM GRANT, & Co.
N. B. The BLACKSMITH'S BUSINESS will be carried on at the shop as usual, by WILLIAM GRANT.
Annapolis, April 20, 1795.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber takes this method of informing the public, and his friends in general, that he has lately obtained the management of the lower Patuxent ferry, formerly belonging to PETER WILKES MARR, deceased; he has provided himself with good and sufficient boats, together with able and experienced ferrymen. Those persons who may wish to cross said ferry, may rest assured of being conveyed with great dispatch, and every exertion will be made by the subscriber, in order to give general satisfaction.

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WILLIAM STEPLE.
April 22, 1795.